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François HIRSCH et al.
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NF-κB ACTIVATION
INHIBITORS, AND THEIR
PHARMACEUTICAL USES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 3 as follows:

--3. (amended) The use according to claim 1, of compounds inhibiting the activation of NF-κB connected specifically to the transmembranal receptors of the cytokins of class I in the cells of the organism, such as compounds selected from growth hormone or erythropoietin.--

{ Amend claim 4 as follows: }

--4. (amended) The use according to claim 1:
- of the human growth hormone, as obtained by extraction from hypophysary extracts, and purification,